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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO DELEGATE TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OR HIS DESIGNEE, AUTHORITY TO APPLY TO THE STATE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS,
FOR GRANT FUNDS TO OFFSET 90 PERCENT OF ANTICIPATED
SLURRY-SEAL PROJECT COSTS AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to apply to the State Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, for grant funds to offset 90 percent, or \$360,000, of anticipated runway slurry-seal project costs at Whiteman Airport in the Pacoima area.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to apply to the State Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, for grant funds to offset 90 percent, or \$360,000, of anticipated runway slurry-seal project costs at Whiteman Airport in the Pacoima area.

On August 13, 1991, your Board approved the Whiteman Airport Master Plan. The Master Plan recommends proper pavement management practices that include necessary pavement rehabilitation in order to improve and upgrade the airport to meet current FAA standards and to improve overall safety on the airport. We had previously identified and recommended this project for grant consideration to the State. The State Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics has informed us that allocation of State funds from the 2003 Aeronautics Program are now available for this project. A formal application will be the next step.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the State grant will provide 90 percent of the funds to continue maintaining our airport pavement which will increase safety and improve operating conditions at the airport. It also satisfies the Goal of Service Excellence by providing a longer, useful life to the airport's runway and parallel taxiway pavement.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The State allocation commitment of funds in the amount of \$360,000 will provide a 90 percent reimbursement of the estimated project costs. A required match of \$40,000, which will be provided from the Aviation Capital Projects Fund, will be used for in-house design, inspection, and contract administration costs. The FY 2003-2004 Services and Supplies appropriation of the Aviation Capital Projects Fund has sufficient funds available to finance the County's matching share.

If we are successful securing grant funding from the State, we will return to your Board for acceptance of the funds and approval to advertise and award the construction contract for this project in FY 2004-05. Upon acceptance of the funds, we will start the design phase of the project during FY 2003-04. The total cost for the proposed project is \$400,000.

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Sections 21681 through 21684 and Section 4064 of the California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) Regulations, authorizing approval from local government is required to apply for grant funding.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt, as specified in Class 1 (x) (1) and (2) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable for this administrative procedure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

All users of the airport will benefit from the completion of this project, which will result in increased safety for the airport users/tenants and a reduction in maintenance costs.

CONCLUSION

Please return four (4) approved copies of this Board letter to Public Works, Aviation Division, for further processing.

It is further requested that conformed copies of this letter be distributed to:

- a. County Counsel
- b. Auditor-Controller
- c. Chief Administrative Office

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel